

IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-13: cancelled.

14. (Currently Amended) A reclosable package comprising:
  - a first wall and a second wall opposite said first wall;
  - a zipper strip for selectively opening and closing said package, said zipper strip comprising a male interlocking profile extending along an internal surface of said first wall and a female interlocking profile extending along an internal surface of said second wall;
  - said male interlocking profile having a male interlocking member and a male web integral therewith;
  - said female interlocking profile having a female interlocking member and a female web integral therewith, said male interlocking member being engageable within said female interlocking member to join said male and female interlocking profiles together;
  - wherein one of said male and female webs is wider than the other of said male and female webs in at least one of two directions from said male and female interlocking members, the greater width of the wider of said male and female webs being at least one flange extending widthwise beyond the other of said male and female webs;

wherein said at least one flange of one interlocking profile is sealed to said first and second walls at a first seal area spaced apart widthwise from said interlocking members on a first widthwise side of said interlocking members;

wherein the other interlocking profile is sealed to the second wall at a second seal area spaced apart widthwise from said interlocking members and separated from said first seal area by the joined thickness of said interlocking profiles along the length of said zipper strip, said second seal area being on said first widthwise side of said interlocking members; and

wherein said package includes sealed ends formed from said first and second walls extending in the direction as said zipper thereby forming a top and a bottom of said package and wherein said package further includes a lap or fin seal extending substantially perpendicular to said zipper.

Claim 15: cancelled.

16. (Original) A reclosable package according to claim 14 wherein a portion of said wider web of said interlocking profile wherein said portion is not said at least one flange sealed at the first seal area, is separately sealed to the first package wall as a third seal area, said third seal area spaced apart widthwise from said interlocking members and on a widthwise side of said interlocking members opposite to said first widthwise side.